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DIRECTED AGAINST HCV E2 GLYCOPROTEIN AND
ENDOWED WITH IN VITRO NEUTRALIZING
ACTIVITY

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please add the below paragraph starting at line
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--The application disclosed herein corresponds to
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are incorporated into this application.--